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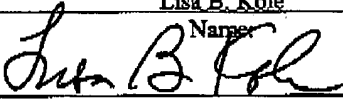
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For : METHOD FOR PRODUCING CELLULOSIC FLAT
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**EXPRESS ABANDONMENT AND REQUEST THAT APPLICATION NOT BE
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Sir:

Applicants request that the above-identified patent application be abandoned.

This application was filed together with a Petition that the rules be suspended and that it be
deemed a divisional of U.S. Patent No. 6,565,788 ("the '788 patent"). That Petition was denied,
and, as no declaration by the inventors was filed, it was assumed, by Applicants, that the
application was abandoned. The receipt of an Official Action dated August 11, 2004 was
therefore a surprise. However, as Applicants were not allowed to claim priority to the '788
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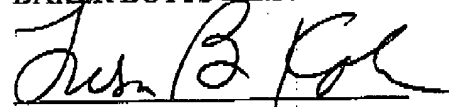
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